

Blooming Buds

by Mom to 3 Little Flowers



Amelia Isabele aKa Mimi (3yo)
Camila Nicole aKa Mia (4yo)
Gabriela Michele aKa Gaby (6yo)

Friday, July 23, 2010

What's going on?

A lot have been going on since the last update. My mother in law got to be sent from New Jersey to Ecuador to be buried in her native country and hubby got to fly over there to say the last good bye to his mom. She was buried on Saturday the 10th.

In a good note, even though it was for a VERY sad reason, hubby had 18 YEARS without visiting his native country and it has been something huge for him to be able to see all that family that he haven't seen in sooo long, and to meet those that were not even born the last time he was there. He is still there, and he will be coming back next week.

Gaby also lost another tooth (notice on the first picture), and survived *another* ear infection (sigh!). Mimi has an eating strike, and it is hardly eating. My poor petite baby is getting skinnier. Camila is doing great but misses daddy very much. The nanny, Yudy, is happy at home, and we love having her around! Me? Working like a donkey!

Last week I bring home a [Nikon D50](#) with a [50mm 1.8 lens](#) and here are some pictures I took (well, some of them were taken by my friend Perla who was home with us that day):



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Wish Lists

We buy most of the things online, so I have wishlists to have in one place everything that we are planning (or at least hoping) to buy.

Gaby's Wishlist

Mia's Wishlist

Mimi's Wishlist

Our Birthdays

Jan. 27th = Mommy
Mar. 29th = Daddy
Apr. 13th = Camila
May 22th = Amelia
Oct. 5th = Gabriela

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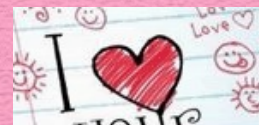


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All Girls

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My Life. In The SpottLight.
Best Friends



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Labels: Dad, friends, Gaby, Mia, Mimi, Mommy



Friday, July 2, 2010

Rest in Peace Mrs. Jenny (1954-2010)

Words cant express the pain that we are feeling right now. My mother in law went to heaven to became an angel and we were just not ready to let her go. Her heart has been sick for sooo many years that people would think we were ready for it.

There are people that are sick for years and years, and the doctors keep telling their family that they wont make it pass two months, or a month, or a couple of weeks... However, sometimes those people live years and years and overcome every crisis. I have seen my mother in law REALLY sick. But then, she used to get over it and simply continue with her life. For the past 2 months, she kept telling Ernest that she was ready to leave, and it looks like she was. This day at 3:30am her heart simply stop beating. It was past 5am when our phone ring. It was Ernest's brother in law and we just knew it.

She left behind her husband, her son and daughter in law, her daughter and son in law, 4 grandchildren plus 1 one unborn grandchild. She is leaving all of us heartbroken, but knowing that she is now in a better place where there is no more pain. She had this huge smile and contagious laugh that will carry on in our memories forever. She was a devoted wife, an exceptionally caring mother and a loving grandmother.

I cant keep out of my mind something that she used to complain about. It was a metallic taste on her mouth and the feeling her teeth were going to fall off. Doctors were never able to figure this out. It gives me peace the fact that she will NEVER EVER feel that again.

I also wanted to share here a "note" that my hubby wrote on his Facebook. He actually wrote it on Spanish, so here is the translation:

My mother. I miss you so much. I have so many beautiful memories from you that I will never forget. Things like faith. I know you once said that you were ready to go and I said "No". You knew your heart could make it anymore and you were getting ready to go. Even though it was hard to admit it, I have the hope that I will see you again and you will hug me and kiss me and call me: "My Israelito" (Israel is his middle name).

My beautiful mommy is hard to say good bye; not having you, not being able to hear your voice, and not being able to see you. But I know you are now happy so I will be happy with you. I know I now have a new guardian angel taking care of me on every



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Shops I Heart



Prayers Needed!



Giveaways I support

6 days ago

Little House in the Woods

I guess I just needed some closure...
1 week ago

Prestwood Ramblings!

Knock Knock.... It's Me!!!
1 week ago

That Nora Girl

paths colliding
1 week ago

Diary of a Drama Queen Working Mom to John & Gianna

Blog Challenge Day 4 - your favorite book
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The Adventures of Madisynn Hope and Braylon Robert

2 weeks ago

two bugs snuggles

Seriously?
2 weeks ago

my life as a mom

rockin green giveaway!
2 weeks ago

The Summer of Equis

cravings or His plans?
2 weeks ago

A Life Full of Love

Just Pneumonia
4 weeks ago

The Family of Craziness

pool time 2 and micah.
5 weeks ago

my kids, my love and my crazyness

The kids are back in school ...
5 weeks ago

I'M THE MOMMY - THAT'S WHY

Looks comfy to me
5 weeks ago

From the Desk of Mom

Thank you, Lysol
1 month ago

Math Mommy Musings

Marble Painting
2 months ago

Jenn's boys and a babe

A Summer Morning Walk
2 months ago

Wannabe Beach Bum Mama

Christmas in JULY!!
2 months ago

Toddler @ Play! // New

Games. Activities. Outings. Fun.

Preschool Paintball!
2 months ago

Julia Irene

movement and every decision that I make.
I love you!

I put together some pictures of her and I would like to share some of them. They are from 2005 up to 2009. She used to love the sand and the beach, and seeing her on the beach or a pool was like seeing a little girl getting in the water for the first time.



Julia is 3!
3 months ago

The Rider Roundup
Backwards Day
4 months ago

Summer of Love 2009
Fun at Forest Park!
5 months ago

Neally Family
6 months ago

Red Earth Redhead
My Name is Mud
6 months ago

From First-Time Mommy to Mommy of 2
Changing Name and Layout
6 months ago

Catholic Mommy 101
Holy Snow, Batman!!
7 months ago

I am my father's daughter. Damn it!
8 months ago

Vote Fox Mattox - President 2060
In which Things get...Messy
8 months ago

In the life of Dawn
9 months ago

Frogs and Snails and Puppy Dog Tails
Thanksgiving Pictures
9 months ago

Just call me SAHMY
cloth diaper
10 months ago

The Petersen Family Blog
Bryce & Dad's Day in Boston
11 months ago

"Don't blink"Life goes faster than you think.....
Locks of Love...
1 year ago

Loving my life as Mommy and Wife!
We miss Derek...
1 year ago

Life Moves Fast
Promise
1 year ago

Feels like home
Grace's Kitchen - Organizing Your Play Kitchen
1 year ago



Mrs. Jenny: You just left and we already miss you so much! I guess we will see in Heaven again!

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Labels: Grandma, RIP



Sunday, June 27, 2010

New addition to our family PLUS Updates

Yesterday somebody joined our families. We hired a live in nanny that will be staying with us everyday and will be leaving twice a month. She is 32 years old has 4 kids of her own (13, 11, 9 and 3) and they live with her mom in a town very far away. She goes and visit them once per month. She prefers live in jobs because she has no other place to stay in this town, and paying rent for her is not doable. She looks very caring and we are pleased so far.

I prefer a live in nanny because that person gets to be part of our family and I feel more comfortable having the girls with somebody that I know is clean and loving and caring. She will help out with some of the girls chores, but her main responsibility is "be there" for the girls when Ernest and I are working outside of the house at the same schedule (normally at nights). Before, they used to go to my mom's house and were taken out of their environment, so I prefer them to stay here in their own house. I will keep you guys updated.

And now, here I go with the updates that I have made. Just click on the image or title to see them:



December 24, 2009.
From us to you!

Mia's Friends



LannaM's Xanga

4 hours ago

Day to Day Life

A day at the park

1 day ago

The Ramblings of a Forgiven Momma

So Much Has Changed

3 days ago

Once Upon a Time...

Pumpkins!

5 days ago

Arthur, Robin, and Maggie

September 2010

1 week ago

A Canuck in Cancun

It Ain't All Sunshine and Cenotes

1 week ago

Life from the Hilltop

fun foods - edamame

1 week ago

Lauryn Ho & Family

2 weeks ago

Love & Laughter = Life

Gone Fishin'

3 weeks ago

Life With My 3 Ro's

Another First

5 weeks ago

O'Connell Family Blog

Summertime,

Summertime, Sum, Sum,

Summertime!

2 months ago

Our Life

It's been too long...

5 months ago

Mom on the Rise

Use Skype for your

business calls

8 months ago

Learning to adjust...

A Former Students

Fame...

8 months ago

Porter Family News

Good bye 2009

9 months ago

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1 year ago

Sirdail

Almost 8...

1 year ago

ShaShana & ShaNaiya

Random

1 year ago

December 25, 2009:
Santa came to town!



December 31, 2009:
Good bye 2009!

January 1, 2010:
First 2010 Trip to the ER!



January 4, 2010:
The 3 Wise Kings

January 8, 2010:
Task #14: My eyeglasses



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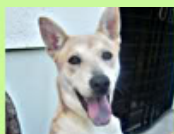


Friday, June 18, 2010

First week out of school PLUS updates!

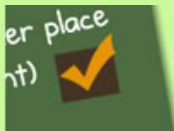
I took a few days off from work because the girls are out of school and out of their afternoon activities. Thinking about getting them on Summer Camps or some sort of activity for this summer, but we havent really decide what we are going to do.

In the meantime, enjoy these NINE posts that I made from November and December 2009. There are only a couple more posts missing from December, but this is what I have completed so far. I tried to keep the text to the minimum so it doesnt bore you guys! Just click on the picture or title to view each post:



November 29, 2009:
Task #79: Sassy's move

November 30, 2009:
Better than I thought



December 1, 2009:
Task #1: Get a new place

December 13, 2009:
Just a day at home!



December 14, 2009:
Photo Shoot at home

The House at Pooh
Corner
Moving
1 year ago

Gaby's Friends

Autumn's Attic
Introducing Cooper
4 hours ago

We Are THAT Family
Not My Finest Moment
14 hours ago

The C & M Press
Moriah's School ~ The
Kids Co-Op
1 week ago

Among the Mess
TTBBB-1000-Fans-
Celebration
1 week ago

**MOMENTS WITH THE
FLOWERS**
10 Years Together!
1 week ago

Siguiendo Mi Catracho
Two weeks
1 month ago

Life with my Chipmunks
I want my VBA2CS
2 months ago

Splendid Mayhem
Gluten Free Restaurants
3 months ago

My Life
a lover of life... my quest
for completion
1 year ago

Cul-ture-queen
Looks strange huh?
1 year ago

Still on the belly & Young Babies

**Cazza's Travels & New
Chapter**
Deal or No Deal Video
1 week ago

**Jesse and Ashley +
Baby Wilson**
Reese is the Boss
5 weeks ago

Gone Private

Kiger Family
Life moves fast
My Boys = My Life
The Sunrise Diary
Through my Mom's Lens
♥Lauren♥Jaden♥Kaylie♥

Getting healthier blogs

December 15, 2009:
Task #49: New do for me!



December 16, 2009:
Gaby's XMas Play

December 20, 2009:
3 Kings n Jesus Birth Play



December 21, 2009:
Visiting my grandma

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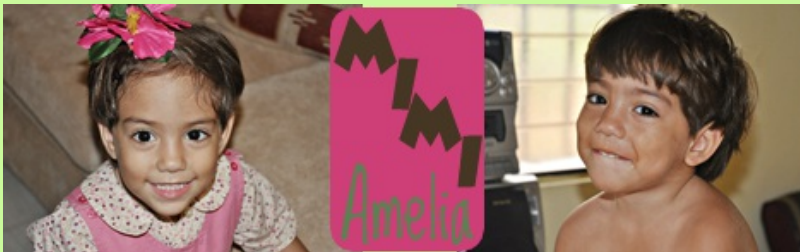


Monday, June 14, 2010

I'm back - Quick update from us!



A new post!! FINALLY!! I have missed my blogs so much, and I think it is time to start blogging again. I will try to catch up, and that is what I plan to do for the next days. I cant promise to post on a daily basis, but who knows if I manage it. Here is a quick update from each one of the girls:



Last Friday was the last day of Toddler 2. She turned 3 last month, and even though she is still a peanut, you can tell how much she has grown just listening to her. She talks way better of what Camila and Gaby talked at 3 years old, and they were great talkers: So that is a lot to say. Her coloring has improved a lot and she hardly leaves white spots while she does it. She knows her colors, and can count until 5. I don't believe there is anything that she cant actually express, and she makes sure to make her point across. She can play with mostly every toy around (especially the one that it is already in use by one of her sisters), however I dare to say that what she likes the most is arts and crafts. If there is crayons, paint, scissors, glue and paper, she will leave behind ANY toy she may be playing with. Lately she has been playing a lot with "My Little Ponies" and she loves to brush their hair. She still loves water and loves TO EAT more than anything in the world (I still wonder where is all that food going).

Inner Fat Girl
2 yrs down Many more to goooooo...
1 week ago

ohfive-30
4 pounds
3 weeks ago

How to Grow Healthy Lettuce (Watch Our Garden Grow)
No so healthy but a sweet deal
1 year ago

Recipes & Yummy Ideas

Little Nummies

Hobbies & More

Week 63: Ten Winners
What Your FuzziBunz Diaper Color Choice Say about Your Mood
13 hours ago

Rediscovering Domesticity
Bloggy Basics: How to Add Social Media Sharing Icons
21 hours ago

PrairieMama
To The Moon and Back
3 days ago

shots by bridge
Part 2
1 week ago

The Healthy Frugal Home
Shame on Me!
2 weeks ago

Quiet City
tiny changes/big announcement!
1 month ago

Stopping Time Photography
2 months ago

fingerprints fotografie
July Calendar Day 1
3 months ago

Random Bits Of Knowledge
Pretty much a total loss!!!
3 months ago

News from NOLA
This is a test of the emergency iPhone system
1 year ago

La Gringa Mas Bella: Married to the Mexican!
Random: Facebook Horoscopes and Shopping ...
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She finished the Toddler 3 class last Friday, and even though her evaluation will be next week, I know I will be hearing great things from her. She turned 4 in April, yet she is still like a big baby to me. She is still a very happy child, however some changes that occurred in our household for the last few months affected her the most from all 3 girls (most of you know what I'm talking about, if not just ask me privately). She loves pretend play like there is no tomorrow, and she needs a doll with her 24/7. That doll needs to have all her needs covered, so she needs at least: a bottle, a bib or blanket, a pacifier, and needs to be properly dressed (preferably with a change of clothes). She still prefers to play with the sand instead of the water when we are on the beach, however when she gets in the water she doesn't want to get out. She is still a mama's girl; however she is crazy about daddy to. She will do ANYTHING for a hug and a kiss, and prefers to cuddle with us than anything else (which can be very cute, except for when I want to go to the bathroom or simply have a 2 minutes alone time). She started taking ballet classes with Gaby, even though I think she is more into wearing the ballet outfit than dancing itself.



She finished first grade last Friday and I still can't believe it. Getting to first grade was a huge milestone itself, but getting to an end feels like my daughter is a little lady. I will get her grades on the 24th and I can't wait. Back in January, I switched her to another school (that is a whole new post), and this school is primarily in Spanish. She now can read mostly ANYTHING, and I just love how she can read books to her sisters, and how easy it has become for her. We have to work hard with her English so she doesn't forget what she had accomplished before, and I plan to work on it on the summer. She continues to be a dog lover and she misses Sassy very much. We told her to ask Santa for a new puppy this Christmas as we are planning to get her a female cocker spaniel (and of course, we will be naming her Lady like the movie). She loves computer games and watching movies for big kids. She also loves taking pictures, playing with her VPocket and actually anything that involves technology. I'm 100% sure strong genes from her daddy and me were passed to her, and I can't wait for her to grow a bit and start designing like I do. She is also in love with My Little Pony, The littlest Pet Shop, Barbie, Fairies in general and Disney Princesses. She is taking ballet classes in the afternoon and she LOVES it!

As for me, I continue doing my designing business at [3 Little Flowers](#), and I'm also working for a camera brand. It helps me stay close to photography and I'm learning a lot about it. Ernest still working at the same school, and now has a second job at nights for a cell phone company. Busy bees!

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Labels: About Us, Gaby, Mia, Mimi



Thursday, February 4, 2010

Im alive...

I swear to God!! I PROMISE things will go back to NORMAL very soon!!! I MISS my blogs!!!!!!!!!!!! :(

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photography by nicole
An afternoon at Brooke
Park
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3rd Place in State !!
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Life's Big Pains and my
Toddler.
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Wait - what's this now...
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Why I walk
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Appointments GALORE!
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Marcia!!
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And now we're a family
Finally Updating!
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**Mi vida como madre y
esposa... y todo lo que
aprendo de ella!**
Esto de tener blog es
medio complicado...
2 years ago

My Beauties
What a Day

Friday, January 8, 2010

Task #14: Checked! - Eyeglasses for me!



FINALLY!!! This was loooong overdue!! I got my butt to the doctor, purchased a cute frame and got my eyeglasses!!!

In case you didnt know, the latina singer and actress [Thalia](#) actually has an eyewear collection and it is very cute... I got the "[Curiosa](#)" model in [Aqua Tortoise](#) and Im IN LOVE with them!!

I have to confess that I should be wearing them more, but it is just difficult to get used to be using eyeglasses.. I feel that I can see better without them, even though I dont... This

is not the best picture, but here I am:



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Labels: 101 tasks on 1001 days,
Health, Mommy



Monday, January 4, 2010

The 3 Wise Kings 2010

It is actually celebrated on the 6th, however in this country non major holidays are normally celebrated on the Monday before or Monday after (to protect the economy of mid and small companies from closing down in the middle of the week). So, this year we got to celebrate the 3 Wise Kings on the 4th!

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Progress in the Potty
2 years ago

lifeOutlinedinblack

A Lady's View
2 years ago

Mila's Happenings...

Antique tractor show
2 years ago

Todo sobre

Fernando Enrique y
Más...

Sesión de fotos en el
Parque
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The Gould 5

May
2 years ago

Kassie's blogging

Photography
2 years ago

Searching For Sanity





Some of the things that Gaby got was a V-Pocket and a newborn My Little Pony. Camila got ANOTHER doll!!



Camila was into combing their dolls, and fixing everybody's hair (including mine) so we got her this set that even has a blow dryer with real sounds....



And YES, more dolls for Mimi...



The girls are in love with Mickey and Friends, and each one got a few figurines of them....



They were REALLY happy and I was just thrilled!!

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Labels: [three wise kings](#)



Friday, January 1, 2010

Starting the year: ER trip!

What a day to be at the ER!! Gaby was at my mom's [mahogany](#) rocking chair drinking a glass of milk. Here is the rocking chair she was sitting down that day:



Camila thought it was fun to rock her and she did it sooo hard that the rocking chair felt backwards, and the back of it broke causing Gaby to cut around her elbows in two different places. She got two stitches in one side of the elbow and one in the other side! It was really painful, but she amazed me with how brave she handled it. She cried, but she let the doctors sew her with the minimum of issues.

Funny thing is that it is a VERY strong rocking chair and very well made. Not really sure where did Camila found the strength to rock it so hard, but she did.

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Labels: ER, Gaby



Thursday, December 31, 2009

Good Bye 2009

2009 was a year full of strong emotions: good and bad ones, and I'm completely sure it is a year that I will never forget. It actually marked so many things in our lives and I dare to say that it may have been the year where I learned and grew more in my whole life. It was a year with lots of tears, but a the year that made me as strong as I feel now.

Here are the girls enjoying the fireworks from their bedroom at my mom's house when the clock marked 12!



Gotta say that it was the first year since the last 6 Christmas that I didn't have a child crying being scared with fireworks! Big milestone for our household!

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Labels: Christmas, New Year's Eve



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